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Motor vehicles tax.

*198 Q.—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state what the total amount of revenue derived by the Madras Government from the Malabar district by way of motor vehicles tax was in the year 1951–52?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" The amount of motor vehicles tax collected in Malabar district during 1951–52 was Rs. 26,64,566–2–0."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to say how many motor vehicles are debarred from running consequent upon non-payment of taxes? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I should like the hon. Member to give notice of a separate question."

Reconstruction of Salur-Bobbilli Railway line.

*201 Q.—SRI K. VENKATANARAYANA DORA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state whether he made any statement on 31st May 1952 that the reconstruction of Salur-Bobbilli railway will be taken up in 1952–53?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Yes, if a private letter to the hon. Member can be taken as a statement."

SRI K. VENKATANARAYANA DORA :—" ఈ సంవత్సరమైన బొబ్బిలి—సాలూరు రైలు వచ్చేటట్టు ప్రయత్నం జరుగుతున్నదా ? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I wrote to the hon. Member stating that there was every possibility of the work of restoration of the Salur-Bobbilli line being commenced in the year 1952–53."

Amount spent on Well Subsidy Scheme.

*230 Q.—SRI M. MUNI REDDI : Will the Hon. Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state the amount spent so far on the Well Subsidy Scheme, the number of wells completed and wells uncompleted, the extent of land brought under cultivation under the scheme and the total increased tonnage of foodgrains due therefrom?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The total amount spent under the various well subsidy schemes was Rs. 8,32,81,601. The number of wells completed up to May 1952 under the several well subsidy schemes was 1,25,365. The number of incomplete wells (including wells not started) was 82,428. The total extent brought under irrigation under the well subsidy schemes up to May 1952 was 148,447·66 acres and the total increase of foodgrains up to May 1952 was 73,463·05 tons."